

REAs have expertise in specific areas such as:

- Environmental Site Assessment
- Air Emissions Assessment, Prevention, Monitoring and Control
- Emergency Preparedness and Response
- Surface and Groundwater Contamination Assessment, Prevention, Monitoring and Control
- Generator Waste Disposal, Recycling, Reduction, Storage, and Treatment
- Occupational Health and Safety Reviews
- Risk Assessment and Risk Reduction Recommendations
- Soil Contamination Assessment, Prevention, Monitoring and Control
- Underground Tank Checks and Removal
- Other Areas of Expertise Relating to Hazardous Substances and/or Hazardous Waste Management

Five-Year Renewal

Each REA is required to obtain a renewal of registration every five years. This allows REA Program staff to ensure that every registrant continues to meet the legislatively mandated registration requirements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Registration Benefits

State Recognition/Support/Outreach
Professional Identification
Increased Visibility
Enhanced Marketability
Inclusion in the Directory
Certificate of Registration
REA Newsletter
Legislation Updates and Support

For an application, contact the REA program staff at the number below, or download at the REA web site.

REA Hotline
916-255-4699

Or visit
www.dtsc.ca.gov/rea/



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The Registered Environmental Assessor!

REGISTRATION BASICS



California
Environmental
Protection Agency



Department of
Toxic Substances
Control

The REA I Program

A Registered Environmental Assessor I (REA I) is an individual who, through academic training, occupational experience, and reputation, is qualified to objectively conduct one or more aspects of an environmental assessment.

In order to be registered as an REA, legislatively mandated experience and education requirements must be met. In addition, applicants must demonstrate that they have substantial experience performing professional environmental assessments related to hazardous substance and hazardous waste management.

Program Background

The REA Program was established by the Environmental Quality Assessment Act of 1986, Health and Safety Code sections 25570 – 25570.4. The purpose of the program is to provide a list of qualified environmental assessors for use by those seeking technical assistance with hazardous substance and hazardous waste management.

The REA Program works to increase the visibility of REA Is through outreach efforts at trade shows and conferences. REA Program staff is available to respond to questions about an REA's status and

areas of expertise, and to provide a listing of registrants to those requesting the services of an environmental assessor. The REA registry is also available on the REA web site. www.dtsc.ca.gov/rea/

REA I Registration Requirements

The minimum requirements to be registered with the State of California as an Environmental Site Assessor are:

- Five years of full-time employment, acquired within the last eight years, in the applicant's general field of expertise.
- Two years of substantial experience, acquired within the last four years, performing environmental assessments relating to hazardous substance and hazardous waste management.
- A Bachelor's degree or higher degree from an accredited college or university in a physical or biological science, engineering or law, **or**, five years of substantial experience, acquired within the last eight years, performing professional environmental assessments related to hazardous substance and hazardous waste management.
- Three recommendations attesting to the applicant's abilities from employers, supervisors, or clients.

REA Registration Fees

Application Fee: \$ 50.00

Annual Registration Fee: \$100.00

Why Be Registered?

The Registered Environmental Assessor I (REA I) is recognized by the State of California as an environmental professional who is qualified to perform environmental assessments. In this highly competitive industry, State registration represents useful leverage to acquire new clients and retain your existing client base.

REA I registration provides the following:

- Identifies your professional abilities and experience to clients and employers.
- Your name, company name, location, and expertise is listed in the REA directory distributed to industrial and trade groups.
- REA Program outreach efforts on your behalf at environmental, real estate, and industrial conferences and trade shows.
- Allows you to review and certify hazardous waste generators' Source Reduction Evaluations and Plans (Health & Saf. Code, §§ 25244.12 – 25244.25.)
- Allows you to review and certify airborne toxic risk reduction audits and plans (Health & Saf. Code, §§ 44390 – 44394.)